

Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed action in Fairfax County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

December 10, 2012 to January 8, 2013

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal action to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

DOD/U.S. Army

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Department of the Army at Fort Belvoir proposes to replace existing water line in the vicinity of McRee Barracks at the Fort Belvoir Main Post in Fairfax County. Fort Belvoir's water utility partner, American Water (AW), will replace 1,760 linear feet of existing waterline with C 900 high-density polyethylene (HDPE). The new pipe will be installed parallel to the existing pipe (which will be abandoned in place) using open cut and Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) to minimize impacts to the surrounding buildings. All connection points and service tie-ins will be open cut and will be located to minimize the disturbance of concrete and asphalt surfaces. The total work area is anticipated to be 24,400 square feet, with each individual excavation area being less than 2,500 square feet in size. The project is located along maintained hardscapes and lawn areas and no forest clearings or stream crossings are anticipated. The Army has submitted a Federal Consistency Determination that finds the proposed project consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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